## JENNINGS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AUGUST 24, 2017 6:30 P.M.

Robert Willhite absent

The meeting was opened with Matt Sporleder leading the pledge to the flag.

First on the agenda was Marky McCarty with SIRPC to have the public hearing for the Campbell Twp. Volunteer Fire Dept. Fire House. A letter was written to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs stating that the Auditor as Chief Financial Officer for Jennings County verifies that the matching funds for the Campbell Township Volunteer Fire Department's new fire Station Project are coming from the following sources: Campbell Township Volunteer Fire Dept. \$100,000, Campbell Township Trustee \$20,000 and the Jennings County Commissioners/Council \$50,000. Therefore the total match for the IOCRA Public Facilities Program Grant for the new fire station project is \$170,000. The \$50,000 that Jennings County is committing towards the project is coming from the Emergency Services Fund. These funds are on hand and readily available.

Next was Marie Shepherd, Director of Area Plan Commission with two rezone requests. The first one was F.I.S, LLC, would like to rezone approximately 3.5 acres form Agricultural to Residential Multi-Family at 1450 E County Rd 50 N, North Vernon. The ESC approved the request with a unanimous vote. The Area Plan board was made aware that the BZA had put restrictions on the property; such as, no more mobile homes are to be placed on the 3.5 acres and if one is to be replaced, they have to get BZA approval. The request then passed unanimously.

David Lane made a motion to approve the rezone request for 1450 E CR 50 N, North Vernon, In. Matt Sporleder seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Next was the request from Jeff and Jewel Jones to rezone 2.5 acres from Commercial to Commercial Planned Business for 1300 E US Highway 50, North Vernon, In. The ESC board approved the rezone request unanimously. The Area Plan board approved the request unanimously.

David Lane made a motion to approve the rezone request for 1300 E. US Highway 50, North Vernon, In Matt Sporleder seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Next was Jerry Shepherd, EMA Director, coming before the Commissioners and stating that the Council had asked him to come and see if the Commissioners would support the idea of a full time EMA Director. Mr. Shepherd stated that there are so many updates and paperwork for requesting grants and so forth that the job could be full time status. Mr. Sporleder asked if a salary figure had been

determined and Mr. Shepherd stated No but the Council thought it could be paid out of LIT. Mr. Shepherd reminded the Commissioners that half of the salary is reimbursed to the County. Mr. Sporleder suggested tabling this so the Commissioners could deliberate and also give Mr. Willhite a chance to weigh in on the matter.

David Lane made a motion to table the full time EMA Director position. Matt Sporleder seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mr. Sporleder asked the Auditor to have the Council talk about the salary for full time EMA Director position.

Marilee Barber came before the Commissioners asking them to consider a better retirement plan for their county employees. Ms. Barber stated that the county seems to be able to fund new programs and now a new jail but never seems to have the money to do a reasonable retirement plan.

Auditor presented a FPBH, Inc. bill of \$21,000 for payment for the remodel design for the Community Building at the Fairgrounds. Mr. Sporleder signed off on the bill.

A thing to discuss was the Butlerville School property that had been tabled from the previous meeting.

Dave Lane made a motion that the County not take the Butlerville School Property back. Matt Sporleder seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The Fire Inspection report for the Community Building was submitted and Mr. Sporleder stated that the violations given on the report had been taken care of.

David Lane made a motion to approve prior minutes; Matt Sporleder seconded the motion. Motion passed.

David Lane made a motion to sign claims; Matt Sporleder seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Auditor Vance requested signatures for a GIS Limited Use Agreement between the County and the IU Public Policy Institute. IUPPI will use the GIS information to collect GIS Fire and EMS boundary layers that will assist the Indiana State Fire Marshall's Office and Indiana Fire Alliance.

David Lane made a motion to approve the GIS Limited Use Agreement; Matt Sporleder seconded the motion. Motion passed.

David Lane made a motion to adjourn; Matt Sporleder seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Attest:		

Kay Sue Vance, Auditor

Matt Sporleder, President

Robert Willhite

David Lane